

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (*Currently Amended*) An image processing apparatus comprising:

a ~~communication device that communicates~~ unit configured to communicate with a plurality of information processing apparatuses;

a ~~storage device that stores~~ unit configured to store at least one of print jobs transmitted from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses and resource data used for the print job;

a ~~determination device that determines~~ unit configured to determine, when a download start request for the resource data has been received by said communication ~~device~~ unit from one of ~~[[a]] the~~ plurality of information processing apparatuses, whether a print job received by said communication ~~device~~ unit from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses exists in said storage ~~device~~ unit; and

a control ~~device~~ unit configured to be operable when the received print job exists in said storage ~~device~~ unit, to control said communication ~~device~~ unit to inform the one information processing apparatus from which said communication ~~device~~ unit has received the download start request for resource data that downloading of the resource data is not possible.

2. (*Currently Amended*) An image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein when the received print job does not exist in said storage ~~device~~ unit, said control ~~device~~ unit controls said communication ~~device~~ unit to download the resource data.

3. (*Currently Amended*) An image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein when said communication ~~device~~ unit has informed the one information processing apparatus from which said communication ~~device~~ unit has received the download start request for resource data that downloading of the resource data is not possible, said control ~~device~~ unit controls said communication ~~device~~ unit so as not to receive another print job.

4. (*Withdrawn*) An image processing apparatus, comprising:

a communication device that communicates with a plurality of information processing apparatuses;

a storage device that stores resource data downloaded from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses;

a determination device operable when a download start request for first resource data has been received by said communication device from one of a plurality of information processing apparatuses after second resource data by said communication device from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses has been downloaded, to determine whether the second resource data is presently being written into said storage device; and

a control device operable when the second resource data is being written into said storage device, to control said communication device to inform one of the plurality of information processing apparatus that downloading of the first resource data is not possible.

5. (*Withdrawn*) An image processing apparatus according to claim 4, wherein when the second resource data has been completely written in said storage device, said control device controls said communication device to download the first resource data.

6. (*Currently Amended*) A method of controlling an image processing apparatus including a storage-~~device~~ unit that stores at least one print job transmitted from at least one of a plurality of information processing apparatuses and resource data used for the print job, the method comprising steps of:

determining, when a download start request for resource data has been received from one of ~~[[a]] the~~ plurality of information processing apparatuses, whether a print job received from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses exists in the storage ~~device-~~ unit; and

when the received print job exists in the storage-~~device~~ unit, informing the one information processing apparatus from which the download start request for resource data has been received that downloading of the resource data is not possible.

7. (*Currently Amended*) A control method according to claim 6, wherein said controlling step comprises controlling ~~[[the]] a~~ communication-~~device~~ unit to download the resource data when the received print job does not exist in the storage-~~device~~ unit.

8. (*Currently Amended*) A control method according to claim 6, wherein said controlling step comprises controlling the communication-~~device~~ unit so as not to receive another print job when the communication-~~device~~ unit has informed the one information processing apparatus from

which the download start request for resource data has been received that downloading of the resource data is not possible.

9. (*Withdrawn*) A method of controlling an image processing apparatus including a storage device that stores resource data downloaded from at least one of a plurality of information processing apparatuses, the method comprising steps of:

determining, when first resource data has been received from one of a plurality of information processing apparatuses after second resource data from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses has been downloaded, whether the second resource data is presently being written into the storage device; and

when the second resource data is being written into the storage device, informing one of the plurality of information processing apparatus that downloading of the first resource data is not possible.

10. (*Withdrawn*) A control method according to claim 9, wherein said controlling step comprises controlling the communication device to download the first resource data when the second resource data has been completely written in the storage device.

11. (*Currently Amended*) A computer-readable medium storing a computer program that executes a method of controlling an image processing apparatus including a storage-device unit that stores at least one print job transmitted from at least one of a plurality of information processing apparatuses and resource data used for the print job, the method comprising steps of:

determining, when a download start request for resource data has been received from one of ~~[[a]]~~ the plurality of information processing apparatuses, whether a print job received from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses exists in the storage device unit; and

when the received print job exists in the storage-device unit, informing the one information processing apparatus from which the download start request for resource data has been received that downloading of the resource data is not possible.

12. (*Currently Amended*) A computer-readable medium according to claim 11, wherein said controlling step comprises controlling ~~[[the]]~~ a communication-device unit to download the resource data when the received print job does not exist in the storage ~~device~~ unit.

13. (*Currently Amended*) A computer-readable medium according to claim 11, wherein said controlling step comprises controlling the communication ~~device~~ unit so as not to receive another print job when the communication ~~device~~ unit has informed the one information processing apparatus from which the download start request for resource data has been received that downloading of the resource data is not possible.

14. (*Withdrawn*) A computer-readable medium storing a computer program that executes a method of controlling an image processing apparatus including a storage device that stores resource data downloaded from at least one of a plurality of information processing apparatuses, the method comprising steps of:

determining, when first resource data has been received from one of a plurality of information processing apparatuses after second resource data from at least one of the plurality of information processing apparatuses has been downloaded, whether the second resource data is presently being written into the storage device; and

when the second resource data is being written into the storage device, informing one of the plurality of information processing apparatus that downloading of the first resource data is not possible.

15. (*Withdrawn*) A computer-readable medium according to claim 14, wherein said controlling step comprises controlling the communication device to download the first resource data when the second resource data has been completely written in the storage device.